THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI M ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) In the light of the recommendations of an Expert Group led by the Industrial Credit & Investment Corporation of India Ltd. (ICICI), the revival packages for Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd. (HFC) and Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd. (FCI) have been reformulated. The packages, which include proposals for revamp of the Barauni unit of HFC and the Sindri unit of FCI envisage a fresh investment of Rs. 269 crore for the Barauni unit and Rs. 532 crore for the Sindri unit, apart from various reliefs and concessions. The scope of the revamp is to be determined on considerations of viability and tie up of the funding arrangements.

(c) During the current financial year, Government has made a budgetary provision of Rs. 184.34 crore for HFC and Rs. 322 crore for FCI with a view to sustaining production in their operational units.

(d) In the process of evaluation of various alternatives for revamp and formulation of the revival packages, detailed discussions were held with the employees unions/associations of HFC and FCI. Interaction with employee unions/associations was also organised in the course of the proceedings before the BIFR and the preparation of a draft rehabiliation scheme by the Operating Agency. These bodies will also be associated at the stage of final approval of the package by the BIFR.

Posts Created by CPCB

1898. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of posts created by the Central Pollution Control Board at its meetings held in 1996 and 1997 so far;

(b) whether method or recruitment of these posts have since been finalised and sent to the Minstry for approval and if so, on which date; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and by when it is proposed to be sent?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ): (a) The details of the posts created by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) at its meeting held in 1996 are as under:

Name of the post	No. of the Board meeting & date
1. Data Entry Operator Gr. II	104th. 27.2.1996
2. Attendant (Safaiwala)	104th. 27.2.1996
3. Administrative Officer	105th. 12.7.1996
4. Jr. Environmental Engineer	105th. 12.7.1996
5. Asstt. Law Officer	105th. 12.7.1996
6. Senior Attendant	105th. 12.7.1996

No post is created in 1997.

(b) The existing method of recruitment for the post of Administrative Officer has been sought to be amended by the CPCB and a proposal in this behalf sent to this Ministry on 16.4.1996 for approval. The draft Recruitment Rules for the posts of Junior Environmental Engineer have been received for the CPCB on 15.5.1997. Methods of recruitment for the posts of Assistant Law Officer, Data Entry Operator Grade. II, Senior Attendant and Attendant have already been notified by the Central Polluiton Control Board.

(c) Does not arise.